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THE BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

Proceedings Against those Responsible for Mismanagement.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, December 28.

By 355 votes against 117, the Chamber passed a motion submitted by M. Outrey (member for Indo-China) and accepted by M. Briand expressing confidence in the Government taking measure to maintain France's prestige and credit in the Far East and sternly proceeding against all responsible for the mismanagement of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.—Havas.

A Judicial Inquiry.

Previously M. Briand, commenting upon M. Berthelot's resignation, stated that M. Berthelot's telegram to New York was on the whole a happy move, although M. Briand, if consulted, might have suggested different wording. M. Briand added that the financial Consortium having been dissolved, it was necessary to find other means to refloat the Banque Industrielle de Chine by using the Borer indemnity.

M. Briand wound up by stating that an enquiry had been started and that all responsibilities will be brought to light. M. Briand warmly eulogized M. Berthelot, stating that France was thus losing a faithful servant.

M. Painleve spoke in M. Briand's support in favour of the Borer indemnity being devoted to France's good work in the Far East.—Havas.

Senator Henniot stated that 50,000 Chinese students have the same wish. M. Briand replied that this would be done and that no private interest will be allowed to stand in the way.

M. Briand proposed a motion for a Parliamentary inquiry. A judicial enquiry had already been instituted, to which the Chamber agreed by 390 votes to 213. The order of the day submitted by the Government's adversaries was rejected by 373 votes to 151. Ultimately the Chamber passed by 506 votes to 2 a motion accepted by the Government asserting the necessity of maintaining French prestige in Eastern countries.

An expression of confidence in the Government to establish responsibilities in the Banque Industrielle matter was passed by 561 votes to 231, also by 518 votes to 4, a motion for preventing finance and politics being mixed; also a motion forbidding members of parliament from accepting directorships of banks and financial concerns.—Havas.

INDIAN NATIONALIST CONGRESS OPENS.

Threats of More Non-Co-operation.

Ahmedabad, December 28.

The Nationalist Congress opened with speeches which favoured answering the Government's methods with more stringent enforcement of Non-Co-operation.

Possible Modifications in Criminal Procedure Code.

Delhi, December 28.

In compliance with a non-official resolution of the Legislative Assembly, the Raj has appointed a committee of officials and non-officials to report upon possible modifications of the criminal procedure code with a view to securing equality of status at criminal trials of Europeans and Indians.

A Split over Khilafatist Motion.

Later.

A split has developed in the Congress over a resolution proposed by Moh Anji declaring that the destruction of British Imperialism and the establishment of complete independence was the goal of Khilafatism.

The President ruled out the resolution on the ground that it conflicted with the Khilafat Constitution.

After the Congress had adjourned Moh Anji's supporters passed the independence resolution.

FRANCE INSISTENT UPON SUBMARINE RATIO.

Britain and Japan Reserve Action.

Washington, December 28.

At the meeting of the Naval Committee, France again demanded a submarine tonnage of approximately three times that contemplated in the American compromise proposals. Delegates declared that the demand closed the door upon any agreement. The American delegation then presented a new proposal limiting the size of submarines and other auxiliaries to a maximum of 10,000 tons. The British reserved the right, if the submarine question is not settled, to build all necessary submarines and auxiliaries for the defence of British commerce.

It is understood that M. Sarraut presented a final declaration that France is unable to accept less than 330,000 tons of auxiliaries and 90,000 tons of submarines. The British and Japanese delegations consequently decided to reserve action regarding tonnage ratios for auxiliaries.

SITUATION IN EGYPT IMPROVES.

Recalcitrants Show Amenability.

Cairo, December 28.

The situation is outwardly more normal. Seven Zuhlulists who recently dissented have now rejoined the two remaining members of the Zuhlul delegation.

An Interregnum Cabinet.

Later.

General Lord Allenby has issued a proclamation authorizing the Under-Secretaries of the Government Departments to exercise the functions of Ministers pending the formation of a new Cabinet.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.

Victoria Defeats N. S. Wales.

Melbourne, December 28.

Victoria defeated New South Wales by six wickets. New South Wales scored 234, Andrews making 115, while McDonald took five wickets for 65. Victoria scored 392, of which Park made 122. In their second innings New South Wales registered 230, Love scoring 103 and Collins 11.

Victoria knocked off the runs for the loss of four wickets.

RECEIVER FOR INGERSOLL COMPANY APPOINTED.

Contemplated Reconstruction.

New York, December 28.

A receiver has been appointed for the Ingersoll Company upon the application of the creditors with, it is believed, a view to reconstruction.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Percy Burn.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Percy Burn, which took place last night at the Government Civil Hospital. The late Mr. Burn's death was so sudden that it came as a great blow to those with whom he came in contact during his life. The deceased gentleman complained of feeling unwell yesterday morning and obtained leave of absence from his duties. He was taken to the Hospital in a practically unconscious condition about five o'clock, suffering from malignant malaria, and passed away about seven o'clock.

The deceased gentleman was only thirty-two years of age. He was a bachelor and resided in Kennedy Road. He was of a reserved nature and lived very quietly, but in his college days he was a great athlete, being Oxford's second string for running. He was a hard worker, he had high intellectual powers and was very conscientious in the performance of his duties.

The late Mr. Burn, who was an Oxford B.A., was appointed a cadet in the Government service in November, 1912, arriving in the Colony the following month. He was sent to Canton to study Chinese and in March, 1915, he was attached to the Imports and Exports Department, passing his final examination in June of the same year. The deceased gentleman went home on leave in 1919 and returned to Hongkong the following year. He then went to the Supreme Court as Deputy Registrar and Accountant, which office he held until about a month ago, when he was appointed assistant to the

BOXING CHALLENGE.

Seaman Bowdidge, Heavy-weight Champion of the China Fleet, challenges any Middle-weight in the Colony for the Championship, 15 or 20 rounds and side-stakes.

Secretary for Chinese Affairs and Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

The funeral is timed to pass the Monument at 4.45 p.m. to-day.

Mr. G. J. Robinson.

Much sympathy will be extended to Mrs. George James Robinson, who is at present staying in the Colony, on the somewhat sudden death of her husband, which took place at the Peak Hospital yesterday.

The deceased, who was only 37 years of age, was extremely well-known in Hongkong, and in the Far East generally, being a traveller for the prominent firm of wholesale druggists, Messrs. May, Baker and Maw. He was paying a visit to Hongkong with his wife in the course of ordinary business, when he was taken suddenly ill with kidney trouble from which he had suffered for some time. He passed away at the Peak Hospital as stated.

The late Mr. Robinson originally came to the Far East about 12 years ago, joining the Hongkong staff of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company. He later joined the firm in whose interests he was now visiting the Colony, and made his home in Shanghai, where he was extremely well-known. A native of Australia, Mr. Robinson was in his younger days a prominent rugby football player, having played for Queens land in International matches.

JAPANESE COMMERCIAL MISSION IN ENGLAND.

Baron Hayashi on the Four-Power Pact.

London, December 29.

Speaking at a luncheon at the Mansion House in honour of the Japanese commercial mission, the Japanese Ambassador Baron Hayashi regretted that the Anglo-Japanese alliance had been terminated, but said that the Japanese were most thankful to Mr. Balfour for giving them a great four-power treaty. They were all sure that not only would Anglo-Japanese friendship continue, but that Anglo-American and Japan-American friendship was assured by the treaty.

Referring to the assistance the treaty would give in securing a good understanding and mutual help, especially regarding China, he said it might be a little difficult to assure the Chinese of the four powers' goodwill and to convince China of the necessity of accepting their help for some years at least. He emphasised the necessity of opening China to world commerce.

DEATH OF FAMOUS ACTOR-MANAGER.

Sir John Hare Passes Away.

London, December 28.

The death is announced of Sir John Hare. [Sir John Hare, born May 1844, made his first appearance on the stage, at the age of twenty, at the Prince of Wales Theatre, Liverpool. The following year he appeared in a series of comedies in London, making a successful Sir Peter Teazle in Sheridan's famous piece. In 1875 he became manager of the Court Theatre and subsequently was manager of the St. James Theatre in partnership with Mr. Kendal, and later opened the Garrick Theatre, where he filled many celebrated parts.]

RUBBER ASSOCIATIONS FAIL TO AGREE.

Shareholders' Organisation Proposes Companies Contribute to Propaganda Fund.

London, December 28.

The Rubber Shareholders' Association requests the companies to provide sixpence per acre for a comprehensive propaganda scheme, owing to the breakdown of the conference with the Rubber Growers' Association.

ALLIED CONFERENCE WITH RUSSIA DENIED.

London, December 28.

A widespread report to the effect that Mr. Lloyd George and M. Briand had decided to invite M.M. Chicherin and Litvinoff to a conference early in 1922 is officially denied. It is stated that any conversations with Russia will be negotiated through M. Krassin.

OVERWHELMED WITH ORDERS.

Welsh Coal Trade Active.

London, December 28.

The Welsh coal trade is reviving, anthracite mines being overwhelmed with orders.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Question of Overcrowding.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held to-day, over which H. E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K. C. M. G.) presided. There were also present:

Lt.-Gen. Sir G. M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B., C.B.L.
The Hon. Mr. Cland Severn, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.
The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E., Attorney General.
The Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Director of Public Works.
The Hon. Mr. O. McI. Messer, O.B.E., Colonial Treasurer.
The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education.
The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Secretary for Chinese Affairs.
The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K. C.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.
The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird.
The Hon. Mr. Lau Chiu Pak.
The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son.
Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Clerk of Councils.

Tribute to Sir Boshan Wei-Yuk.

Before commencing the usual business of the Council, His Excellency said he wished to mention the great loss which the Colony in general and the Chinese community in particular had suffered in the death since their last meeting of Sir Boshan Wei-Yuk. His Excellency had not had the pleasure of serving with him himself but on the few occasions when he had found it desirable to consult with him he had found his advice most valuable. Sir Boshan Wei-Yuk had performed excellent services on the Council and His Excellency felt that it was the wish of the Council that the clerk should convey to the family an expression of the Council's sympathy in their bereavement and an expression of appreciation of the Government of the good work he had performed.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock associated himself with those remarks. The deceased gentleman had been a colleague of his for many years on the Council and the speaker very much valued the assistance and co-operation which he was at all times willing to give.

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chiu Pak supported the remarks of the previous speakers. By the death of Sir Boshan Wei-Yuk the Colony had lost a son who gave of his best. It was the speaker's fortune to serve with him and he could testify to his good qualities, his loyalty to the Government, his devotion to duty and his whole-hearted support to everything that was conducive to the welfare of the Colony. To the public tribute there was no doubt that the whole of the Chinese community would heartily share.

All signified their approval by standing.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The following financial votes were referred to the Finance Committee and subsequently passed:

\$1,000 in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services Other.
\$7,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Miscellaneous, (28) Furniture for Officers' Quarters.
\$5,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Drainage, (79) Miscellaneous Drainage Works, (b) General Works.

\$2,700 in aid of the following votes:—Public Works, Recurrent:—Kowloon Waterworks:—(36) Water Account, Meters, &c., \$2,000; New Territories, Waterworks:—(47) Water Account, Meters, &c., \$700.
\$127 in aid of the vote Education, A.—Department of Director of Education, Special Expenditure, Furniture for Normal School.

\$9,356 in aid of the following votes:—Post Office:—Radio-Telegraph Staff:—Personal Emoluments \$7,850. Other Charges:—Radio-Telegraph Station:—Repairs and Stores, \$1,450.
\$10,100 in aid of the following votes:—Public Works, Extraordinary:—Hongkong, Drainage:—(14) Training:—(2) (Continued on Page 2.)

General Works, \$3,500. Miscellaneous:—(23) Reconstruction of Ferry Piers, \$4,500. Waterworks:—(44) Miscellaneous Waterworks, \$2,000.

Mr. Pollock's Questions.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., asked the following questions:—1. In view of the following statement, which occurs at the end of Section 1 of the recently published Census Report:

"The number of floors in Hongkong and Kowloon occupied by Chinese has increased in the last 10 years, by 7,117, which at 15 persons per floor, a fairly high average, affords accommodation for 106,755 out of a total increase of 157,398 in the Chinese urban population, thus leaving a large portion of the increases to find accommodation in houses already fully occupied in 1911": will the Government state how many floors in Chinese tenement houses have been made available for occupation,

(i) in Hongkong;

(ii) in Kowloon;

since the Census was taken?

Will the Government also state to what extent further floors in tenement houses are likely to be available for occupation during the first half of 1922?

2.—In view of the above quoted statement in the Census Report, and with the object of securing the provision of sufficient accommodation for Chinese workmen, without overcrowding, will the Government obtain from the Director of Public Works and lay upon the Table of this Council a Report as to the cost of the erection by the Government of tenement houses for 100,000 Chinese workmen upon the land at Hung Hom which was formerly occupied by Macdonald's shipyard or upon other land in that neighbourhood?

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied:—It is not possible to answer the first question without longer notice. The information will be obtained as soon as practicable. In the second question the honourable member is, I presume, referring to a suggestion which has already been put forward by the Director of Public Works. The Government is awaiting a detailed report.

Mr. Bird Asks Questions.

The Hon. Mr. Bird gave notice of the following questions:—

What action does the Government propose to take in connection with the Report of the Committee appointed for the purpose of considering what measures can be best taken:

(i) To facilitate the prompt acquisition by applicants of sites which they may require?

(ii) To facilitate the prompt passing of building plans?

With reference to the statement published in the Press relating to cases of communicable disease are all cases of small pox included therein; if not, why not?

BILL PASSED.

The only other business was the second reading of an Ordinance to facilitate the reciprocal enforcement of judgments and awards in the Colony of Hongkong and in other parts of His Majesty's dominions and in certain other territories.

The Bill passed through all its final stages.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S THANKS.

Before the business of the meeting concluded, His Excellency thanked all members for their assistance during the last twelve months during which they had carried through a considerable amount of important legislative work, of a somewhat controversial nature in some cases, which he was glad to say appeared to be working without any friction. He wished all members the very best in the year to come.

The Council adjourned sine die.

DUKE OF YORK AND EARLY CLOSING.

Mr. Churchill, is president of the Early Closing Association, issued a thousand invitations to shop assistants (members of the association) to meet the Duke of York, their new patron, at a concert at the Theatre Royal.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Not A University Student.

Sir,—May I ask you to correct an error that appears in the report of a Police Court case in to-day's issue of your paper.

Mariano del Rosario is not and never has been a student of the Hongkong University. At the request of his friends he was permitted to spend a few weeks in St. John's Hall while correspondence as to his future was being carried on with his relations in the Philippines, but he had not been admitted as a student.

I should be much obliged if you would publish this fact. Apologising for troubling you.

Yours, etc.,

C. B. SHANN.

Warden, St. John's Hall.

Sir,—My attention has been called to a report appearing in the local Press yesterday with reference to certain charges of theft against Mariano del Rosario in one of the University Hostels. I shall be grateful if you will allow me to state that the prisoner is not a student of this University, is not registered on the books of the University and has not been attending any University Lectures. I am making enquiries as to the means by which he had obtained residence in St. John's Hall.

Yours, etc.,

N. TEESDALE MACKINTOSH, Registrar.

Hongkong, December 29th.

OPEN-AIR OPERA AT WARWICK CASTLE.

An open-air performance of Gluck's opera "Orpheus," under the direction of Mr. Louis Parker, is to be held next July in the grounds of Warwick Castle, the arrangements following in many respects the lines of the famous Warwick pageant of 1906.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The World Picture is screening a big picture to-morrow night featuring Mlle. Anna Pavlova.—Page 4.

There is a Cabaret Dance at the Kowloon Theatre to-night.—Page 12.

The Exchange Banks will all be closed on Monday, 2nd January.—Page 4.

The Imports and Exports Office issue an instruction regarding duty paid labels.—Page 4.

Hong and Kong's Circus will appear at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. on December 30 and 31.—Page 4.

Notice of Holidays and the next Term of the Diocesan Boys' School appears on page 4.

The J.C.J.L. advise consignees of cargo of the arrival of the s.s. Radja.—Page 5.

The Colonial Dispensary have a fine selection of New Year gifts to choose from.—Page 2.

Nazimova and "The Brat" are due to appear at the Coronet on Saturday.—Page 7.

Lane Crawford are disposing of their remaining stock of Toys and Games at 25 per cent. discount.—Page 3.

Dodwell and Co. advise the arrival of the s.s. Cilica. Consignees of cargo please note.—Page 5.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 7½d.

The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer:—30.09 Temperature:—69° Humidity:—52.

Lighting-Up Time.

Lighting-up time to-day:—5.45 a.m.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE CONFERENCE.

Washington, Dec. 28.

The suggestion that the submarine problem be left to some future world conference, in view of the difficulties encountered, has gained increased prominence. It is reported that President Harding stated that negotiations for an enlarged conference are progressing. The belief that land armaments would not be discussed again at the present conference is confirmed by the news that the Italian, as well as the British, military representatives are going home.

It is understood that the Japanese delegation may informally suggest to Britain, France and America the drafting of a written agreement that the Pacific Treaty be not construed as applicable to the Japanese mainland. Baron Shidehara visited Mr. Hughes.

The French delegation has received instructions from Paris regarding submarines. Their nature is not divulged, but it is reliably stated that France declines to accept the American suggestion to maintain the status quo, contending that each country is entitled to say for itself how many defensive craft are needed, having consideration for the length of its home and colonial coastline, thus agreeing with the Japanese standpoint in the sense that neither cares how much of such craft the other possesses.

In connection with Baron Shidehara's visit to Mr. Hughes yesterday, the opinion is expressed that he may have suggested an exchange of notes clarifying the scope of the Quadruple Pact. It is understood the Japanese delegation may suggest informally to Britain, America and France the draft of a written agreement excluding the Japanese mainland from the Pact.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

Calcutta, Dec. 28.

In opening the Victoria Memorial on Calcutta maidan this morning, with great spectacular pomp, the Prince of Wales performed the most historically interesting event thus far in his Indian tour. The superb building is held to be only second, as an architectural gem, to the Taj Mahal, the marble used coming from the same quarry in Nakrana. In the Italian Renaissance style, the symmetrical distribution of domes, facades and sculptural ornaments give it a distinct Mogul air. Calcutta regards this alabaster-like pile as a valedictory monument to the departed glory of the capital of India. To a fanfare, a salute of 101 guns and the national anthem played by massed bands, the Prince of Wales unlocked the door with a richly jewelled key, presented by Sir Rajendra Ath Mukerjee, making a tour of this regular Valhalla of Indian historic relics. Everywhere along the routes His Royal Highness received a great reception. Calcutta is quite normal, except for the decorative splendour and frequent strains of martial music.

A "CHU CHIN CHOW" ROMANCE.

London, Dec. 28.

It transpires that the Japanese poet Gonuake Komai secretly married Nora Morgan, daughter of a Sheffield optician, in London on 29th November. Komai first saw his bride, who is a well-known classical dancer, when she was playing in "Chu Chin Chow."

THE RUBBER SITUATION.

London, Dec. 28.

The Rubber Shareholders' Association has sent a letter to the plantation companies, stating that as the conferences with the Rubber Growers' Association have proved abortive the former therefore proposes a comprehensive propaganda scheme, and requests the companies to provide sixpence per acre.

ARRESTED BY BOLSHEVICS.

London, Dec. 28.

It is reported from Constantinople that Mr. John B. Dodge, who has been visiting Australia, China and North Persia investigating trade possibilities, has been arrested by Bolsheviks at Batum, and alleged to be a British secret service agent.

CHINESE CONSUL TO SINGAPORE.

London, Dec. 28.

Mr. Lo Chang, Chinese Consul-General, has been appointed to Singapore and is sailing next week.

THE MANILA CARNIVAL.

Many Thrills.

At least eleven provinces are now getting ready to participate in the coming commercial and industrial exposition which will be held in the city as a special feature of the Manila Carnival next February. It is declared that the provincial showing to be made in the coming Carnival will surpass that of previous carnivals, as the provinces which are planning to enter exhibits next February are holding local exhibitions of their products so as to be able to select the best they have for the Manila Carnival fair.

Ten Balls.

Ten balls are planned for Carnival Week. Another dance will be given the night of January 29, to be called the Queen Candidates' Ball. Every ball will be open to the public with the exception of the Stockholders' Ball, February 9. Only stockholders will be allowed to attend that dance. More than 8,000 people are expected. The dances for the Carnival include: January 28, Queen ball; Saturday, February 4, International ball; Sunday, February 5, Parejas ball; Monday, February 6, Coronation ball; Tuesday, February 7, Comparsas ball; Wednesday, Feb. 8, Merchants' ball; Thursday, Feb. 9, Stockholders' ball; Friday, February 10, Army and Navy ball; Saturday, February 11, Popular

ball; Sunday, February 12, Grand Carnival.

All dances will be held in the auditorium to be built near the Novalde ball park. Plans have been drawn whereby two tiers of boxes, each containing eight seats, will be built around the edge of the dancing floor.

A Lottery.

A premium plan, the proceeds of which will provide a fund for immediate use in carrying out the intention to give Manila the biggest Carnival in years and also insure a reserve to be used in connection with the proposed erection of permanent buildings for future carnivals and expositions, is announced. The premium plan provides for the advance sale of tickets of admission to the Carnival grounds at 20 centavos per ticket, the customary price; but the purchaser buys a sheet of 25 tickets for P5. Each sheet of tickets bears a serially numbered coupon which entitles the holder to a chance to win a prize at a drawing to be held on the last day of the Carnival. The prizes range from P25,000 through a series of lesser amounts totalling P50,000 in all.

Many Thrills.

"Thrills not frills," is the Carnival motto this season. Director Luz announces among others the following thrills: Leap for death, Slide for life in flames, and Dizzy dip. "We're hunting for the weird and the wild and are bringing several sensations to Manila never before shown here," Director Luz declared.



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FOOTBALL.

Charity Match.

Played on the Club ground on Tuesday last. Long before the advertised time for starting the game, thousands of Chinese lined the ropes. The teams were:

Services.—Mitch (Capt.), Burke and Thomson; Parker, Lelliott and McClurg; Hill, Townsend, Grant, Harris and Amor.

South China.—Lau Hing-cheung; Chan So and Fung Tai; Cheung Shing-wing, Leung Tai-fong and Leung Yuk-tong; Chui Kwong-yeung, Ip Kau, Wong Pak-chong, Kwok Po-kan and Lau Tak-chong.

Referee, Mr. Hollands.
Linesmen, Messrs. Jones and Ma.

Mr. Wong Kam-ying, President of the South China Athletic Association, kicked off for the Services and played settled in midfield, the ball being kicked to touch several times. Foul against Harris sent the Chinese in, Cheung putting in a high shot, which Thomson cleared. The ball going to Ip Kau, the latter returned well over the bar. The Services got away and Harris passed out to Amor, who tried a long one, Lau clearing at the second attempt. Services came again, but their shooting was bad. The Chinese transferred play and Cheung sent over a high shot. Good play by Mitch kept the Chinese out, several good shots coming from Wong Pak-chong and Kwok Po-kan. Lau saved with Grant close in. Burke broke up a rush by the Chinese and Lelliott kicked out to Amor, the latter shooting behind. Amor came again and centered from the

goal line, the whistle sounding for outside. Hands against McClurg, and Cheung went in. Thomson and Burke miskicked, and Mitch punched out with Wong upon him. Townsend received a kick and left the field, and although he returned after five minutes absence he was merely a passenger for the rest of the game. Thomson cleared from Wong. Following a free kick for a foul throw in by Cheung, the Services forced a corner, which the Chinese cleared. Wong fouled Lelliott in midfield and the same player spilt a good opening for the Chinese by getting offside. Lack of combination on the part of the Services lost them a good opening and Grant was slow to turn, to account a good centre by Hill. Hands against Kwok gave the Services a chance; but Amor receiving from Harris was ruled offside. Half time, no score.

Resuming, Lelliott and Grant changed places and Townsend went out on the wing. The Chinese were early attacking and Mitch saved a long shot from Leung Tai-fong. Hill for the Services ended up a good effort by shooting outside the post. The Chinese came down with a rush and Ip Kau struck the crossbar, with Mitch beaten. The Chinese had the better of the game here about and Mitch cleared—shots from all the inside forwards. Lelliott shot wide, and returning again from the goal kick sent over the bar from close range. Burke cleared from Kwok Po-kan, and Lau Tak-chong coming down to beat Mitch with a low shot, the goals measuring his length on the ground. Chinese one-up.

From the centre kick the Services got away and forced a

corner, from which Leung Yuk-tong cleared. Lelliott came again and Lau saved well. Grant fouled Wong; and the Chinese getting away Mitch forced Chui Kwong over the line with the ball at his toe. Mitch saved from Wong and a moment later, running out, picked the ball up from the foot of Kwok Po-kan. At the other end Townsend from a good position sent the ball over the bar. Burke cleared from Ip Kau and Harris punched the ball down in midfield. Amor receiving from a clearance by Lau returned with a fast drive, the ball just skimming the crossbar. During a rush on the Chinese goal a defender handled a yard outside the penalty area; and Harris sending in, Leung Yuk-tong cleared. The Services pressed and Lau running cleared from Amor by kicking to touch. Later Townsend lost a good chance, for standing unmarked he shot over the bar from close range. Parker fouled Wong and from the free kick Ip Kau was pulled up for offside. Amor sent over from the left. Hill running in headed the wrong side of the post. The final whistle sounded amidst wild cheering and the game ended in a win for the Chinese by a goal to nil. The Services team could not settle down to combination.

The stand receipts, amounted to \$195 and the receipts from chairs placed inside the ropes, and the collection, amounted to \$205, a total of \$400 for the match.

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Hongkongites Under
Arrest.

The old trouble between the Chinese and Portuguese authorities regarding the ownership of the waters between Macao and the island of Lappa was unpleasantly recalled by an exciting experience which befell two well-known Hongkongites on Boxing Day morning. Mr. D. V. Stevenson, solicitor, of the firm of Messrs Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harton, and Mr. P. D. Sutherland, the general passenger agent for the Orient of the Canadian Pacific Steamships Company, were spending their Christmas holidays in Macao and on Monday morning, after satisfying themselves that it was safe to do so, hired a sampan and proceeded to the island of Lappa for the purpose of having a little exercise. They were walking leisurely along the road from Wanai pier when they suddenly came upon a number of Chinese soldiers, who were apparently going on parade. Immediately they were noticed, one of the soldiers ran up to the advancing Europeans and demanded in Chinese what they were doing there and then ordered them to leave. Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Sutherland were taken aback, but began to retrace their steps, when another soldier came on the scene, told them that they would be placed under arrest and marched them off to the guard room pending inquiries being made. A guard, with fixed bayonet, was posted outside. Shortly afterwards a Chinese officer in multi-armed uniform arrived, and having ascertained that his prisoners were British subjects had them marched back under military escort, with fixed bayonets, to the pier, where they were placed on board a sampan and sent back to Macao. Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Sutherland returned to the Colony yesterday morning.

The full story of the adventure was told to a press representative when he interviewed Mr. Stevenson in his office yesterday afternoon. "Mr. Sutherland and myself went to Macao on Saturday and intended to visit the island of Lappa," he said. "On the way to Macao we asked the mate of the steamer Sui Tai, on which we were travelling, whether it was safe for Europeans to go over to Lappa. Knowing there had been trouble there we wanted to make sure on that point. The mate assured us that it was quite alright. On arriving at the Macao Hotel we made a similar inquiry of the Portuguese clerk there and he replied, 'Oh yes, the Customs officers say it is quite safe.' We thereupon decided to go. On Monday morning, about 10 o'clock, we took a sampan from the Customs wharf at Macao and went across to Wanai, Lappa Island, which is, of course, Chinese territory. After landing, we walked down the road intending to have a look round. We came to an open space, where there was a fish pond or something of that kind, and here we found some soldiers, about half a company strong, going out on parade. They were all uniformed, with fixed bayonets. As soon as they saw us, they sent one of their number after us. He asked what we were doing there; we told him the nature of our visit and he then ordered us, in Chinese, to go away. As we turned to go, a soldier ran in front of us and told us we would have to go in the guard room pending inquiries being made. They asked for our passports, but, of course, we did not have them."

"What kind of a guard room was it?" our representative asked. "Just an ordinary Chinese house of one storey," Mr. Stevenson replied. "We were placed on the ground floor and a guard with fixed bayonet was mounted outside at the entrance to the room. Eventually a Chinese in multi-armed bowler hat and European coat, whom we took to be an officer, came up. He could speak a little English, and after he had ascertained we were British and not Portuguese subjects, told us that we would have to leave the territory and that he would send us down escorted by two soldiers. We were then marched away surrounded by a whole crowd of villagers—women and little boys and girls. It was a most ignominious affair. The soldiers were marching behind with fixed bayonets. When we got to the pier we boarded a sampan and were taken back to Macao."

"How long were you under arrest in the guard room?" "About 20 minutes or half-an-hour," answered Mr. Stevenson. "And was any violence used during the time you were under arrest?" "No, no violence at all. The soldiers were very angry at first,

EVERY SHAPE IS GOOD IN HATS!



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One thing consoling about the season's hats is their shape. Every shape is good.

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A hat of extreme simplicity and beauty of line is of orchid velvet with a broad brim turned up at the front. The brim is shorter in the back and the only ornament is a simple drooping bow.

Among the extreme hats seen is one huge Napoleonic shape, with glycerinated ostrich tips flaunting themselves at each point of the hat.

The brilliant-hued pheasant is still adding colour this year and one black velvet turban, smashed way down over the eye, has a sweep of pheasant feathers which fall over the shoulder in front.

The picturesque Gainsborough is also seen with its turned-up brim.

A JUNK'S ARMOURY.

Mistress Severely Punished.

Kwok Foo, the mistress of cargo boat No. 2262, was charged on remand before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday with illicit possession of 1,800 lbs. of loose opium, 25 Mauser pistols, and 2,400 rounds of ammunition.

The contraband was discovered on her boat in Yaumati Bay on the 23rd inst. by Detective Inspector Murphy, the pistols being mostly wrapped up separately in paper.

Mr. A. E. Hall, defending, said his client informed him that a man brought a number of parcels to her boat and said they contained opium. He requested her to keep them in the hold temporarily and promised her \$10 for her trouble. Defendant had no knowledge that the contents of the parcels included the arms and ammunition. To the charge in respect of opium he would have to plead guilty, but he denied the second count. Mr. Hall added that he believed Inspector Murphy said in his evidence that it would have been difficult, if not impossible, for one to know that the parcels contained arms.

The Magistrate corrected defendant's solicitor and said Inspector Murphy's evidence was that most of the arms were packed in paper parcels and a few of the pistols were exposed.

The pistols having been arrayed on the table in Court, most of them in separate flimsy paper wrappers, the Magistrate remarked jocularly to Mr. Hall: "Those parcels are not opium, are they?"

Detective Inspector Murphy was recalled.

In reply to Mr. Hall the Inspector said all the pistols were encased. The ammunition was contained in eleven packets.

The Magistrate said he was inclined to think that a plea of guilty to the first count involved a conviction on the other charge. Defendant then went into the witness-box and said she knew nothing about the arms.

The Magistrate: They were distributed in different parts of the junk. Who put them there?

Defendant: I don't know.

Examined by Mr. Hall, defendant said the man who promised her \$10 if she would keep the parcels for him did not mention the arms.

In reply to the Magistrate, Mr. Hall said his client's boat was a craft of about 80 tons, and was therefore not liable to forfeiture. The Magistrate agreed.

His Worship (to defendant):

THE ROYAL VISIT.

Entertainments May
Include Chinese Play.

There have been suggestions for the inclusion of a Chinese play in the programme that is being prepared by the Chinese community for the entertainment of the Prince of Wales when he visits Hongkong at the beginning of April, 1922, on his way to Japan. The matter has been discussed by the committee appointed to make the celebration arrangements; but there is a difference as to whether Mui Lan Fong, a celebrated female impersonator in Peking, should be engaged or one of the best companies regularly visiting Hongkong. The engagement of the Peking actor would entail considerable expense, but many of the local Chinese are eager to have an opportunity of seeing him.

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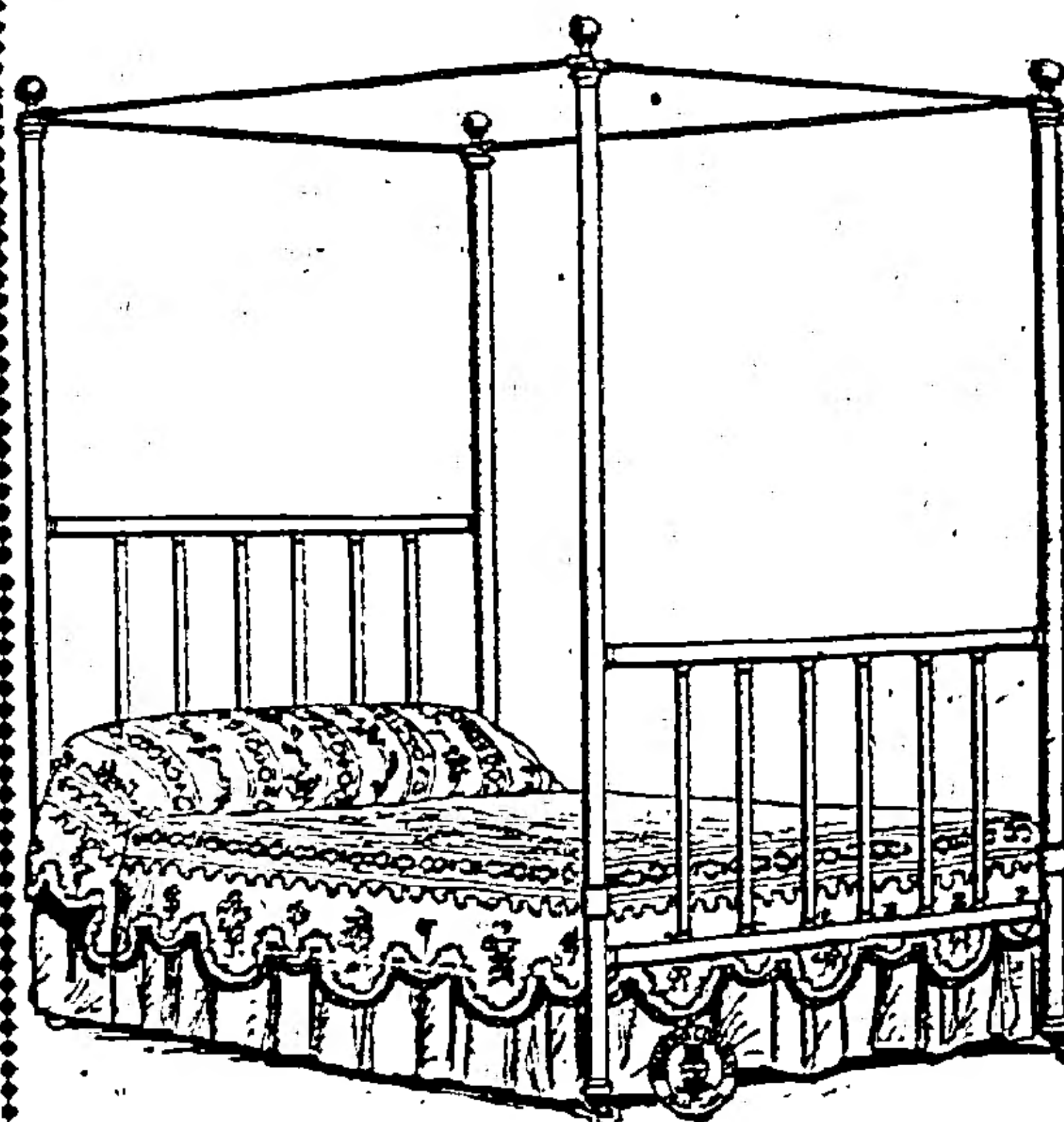
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DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL, HONGKONG.

English New Year Holidays: Monday & Tuesday, January 2 & 3, 1922. Term ends on Tuesday, January 17, 1922, at noon. Next Term begins on Monday, February 13, 1922, at 8.30 a.m. Examinations for New Boys will be held on Saturday, February 11th, 1922, at 10 a.m.

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Members of the public are hereby notified that all duty-paid European Liquors (except Beer, Stout and Cyder) on sale in Hongkong will, after 1st January, 1922, bear across their corks labels signifying that duty has been paid. They are requested to ensure that such labels are on opening broken in such a manner as to prevent their irregular use a second time.

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NOTICE.

WEEK OF PRAYER, 1922.

Tuesday, January 3rd, 5.30 p.m.—"The Church Universal," The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Victoria, Rev. C. Clouston Parry, St. John's Cathedral Hall.

Wednesday, January 4th, 5.30 p.m.—"Nations and Their Rulers," Rev. J. K. Macdonald, Rev. A. J. S. Stearn, St. John's Cathedral Hall.

Thursday, January 5th, 5.30 p.m.—"Missions, Home and Foreign," Rev. H. Copley Moyle, Rev. T. W. Scholtes, St. John's Cathedral Hall.

Friday, January 6th, 6 p.m.—"Families, Educational Institutions, and the Young," Rev. M. W. Shewell, C.F., Mr. J. L. McPherson, St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon.

The Meetings at the Cathedral Hall will conclude each day at 6.15 p.m.

Members of all Denominations are invited to observe this week of United Prayer.

G. NOTICE.

The public are hereby reminded that private jinrickshas and their drivers are due for relicensing on January 1st 1922. E. D. C. WOLFE, Captain Superintendent of Police Hongkong, 28th Dec., 1921.

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Monday, 2nd, January, 1922

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WOMEN IN THE POST OFFICE.

That women are being retained in the Post Office on work peculiar to men was the complaint of a deputation of ex-Servicemen to the Postmaster-General recently.

MAINTENANCE OF SELBY ABBEY. The ultimate residue of the £5,600 estate of Mr. James Appleyard, Pontefract, Yorkshire, is left for the maintenance of Selby Abbey and of All Saints' Church, Pontefract.

JACOBITE BOOKS FROM AMERICA. Aberdeen University has received 14 large boxes of Jacobite books from Mr. William M. Maclean a native of Nairn, now resident in the United States. The university library contains one of the largest collections of Jacobite literature in the country.

ON THE WATERFRONT.

The Growth of Japanese Shipping.

It can hardly escape notice that the list of vessels in wireless communication with the port which appears daily in this column holds a considerable proportion of Japanese vessels. This raises the question of how Japanese steamship companies stand among the big shipping concerns of the world. Returns up to the end of the year are not available but the results of some investigations made recently show that the British-India Company occupies first place, the Furness Steamship Company second and the Nippon Yusen Kaisha third. Then follow the Holt Line, the Ellerman Line and the P. and O. The Pittsburgh Steamship Company comes seventh. Before the war the Hamburg-American and North German Lloyd Lines possessed ships amounting to 1,600,000 and 300,000 tons respectively and wielded a great influence in the world's shipping, but these two companies do not now cut any great figure. On the other hand, British lines more than hold their own while Japanese shipping has made tremendous strides. The Osaka Shosen Kaisha which has ships of 450,000 tons is expected soon to enter the select company of the concerns with 500,000 tons and over. The number and tonnage of ships owned by the seven principal shipowners are:—

| Name of Company | No. | Tonnage |
|--|-----|-----------|
| British-India S.S. | 181 | 885,000 |
| Furness S.S. | 175 | 817,000 |
| Nippon Yusen Kaisha | 115 | 562,000 |
| Holt Line | 79 | 553,000 |
| Ellerman Line | 103 | 548,000 |
| Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company | 68 | 511,000 |
| Pittsburgh S.S. | 99 | 505,000 |
| Total | | 4,385,000 |

Leaving By the Asia.

Captain F. Barlow, superintendent of the Sailors' Home, is leaving by the Empress of Asia for a trip across the Pacific. He will be away for two months and we hope that the holiday will restore him to full good health again.

Three Deaths.

The China-Australia Company's steamer Victoria from Melbourne arrived this morning with three cabin, 87 second cabin and 194 steerage passengers. Three deaths of steerage passengers took place during the voyage. The third took place at 11.30 on Christmas eve between Sandakan and Manila. The body of the deceased man, who was a native of Canton returning from Sydney, was embalmed and was brought on for burial in Canton.

The Montezuma Arrives.

The Montezuma arrived this morning with 21 first-class, 19 second-class and 99 steerage passengers—52 Chinese and 47 Hindoos. The vessel had 1,390 tons of cargo for Hongkong consisting mainly of wire, apples, ginseng, flour, fish and beer.

The First Trip.

The Pine Tree State when she left Victoria on December 10 had on board 19 first-class and 328 steerage passengers for Hongkong. She is due here on Saturday—her first trip to the Far East. She carries 1,750 tons of cargo to Hongkong. The Admiral Line freighter Satsuma left New York on December 11 with over 6,000 tons of cargo for Yokohama, Kobe, Manila and Hongkong.

In Wireless Communication.

The following vessels were in wireless communication with the port at 2.30 p.m. to-day:—Buscho Maru, Bengloe, Egypt, Dunera, Susana, Sado Maru, Persia Maru, Surabaya Maru, Silver State, Takada, Wasaka Maru, Trieste, Euryalus.

KING'S ROLL SWELLING.

Up to and including November 10, 23,925 employers had their names inscribed on the King's National Roll, their undertakings covering 364,866 disabled ex-Servicemen.

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WORLD THEATRE.

TOO MUCH CHINESE LABOUR.

South American Prohibitions.

The prospective immigrant into South America has found, so to speak, the last door in to that continent closed by the action of the Chilean Government, which, through its local representative, has announced that further immigration into that country for the purposes of labour, is prohibited, at least for the present. The reason for this is not far to seek. The South American States have formed the natural reservoir for the surplus of labour from China and elsewhere, and the large number of Chinese who gained admission into these countries have caused a preponderance of cheap labour against which settled white labourers are at a disadvantage. The economic problem developing from this has been the principal factor in the shaping of the South American law as regards immigration, and with the exception of Chile (which now, however, has fallen into line for the moment), the various states which constitute the South American continent, have now closed their doors against the inflow of Chinese labour. At any rate, this was the information imparted to a reporter of the Telegraph by a local Consul, when the latter was seen in connection with a report that immigration in a more or less open form is still being continued into his country despite the regulations mentioned. The Consul took the opportunity to ventilate certain grievances he has against some of the shipping companies here who, he said, are not co-operating with the Company in a whole-hearted manner. Instances of leakage have been discovered and he felt these could have been prevented by a better measure of supervision by the Companies concerned and their officers.

Bandits Invited to be Soldiers.

Our Canton correspondent says that an official notice has been published by order of the Civil Governor of Kwongsi, inviting bandits to surrender. Deserted soldiers or bandits will be equally accepted: for the army those who come along with more than 30 followers will be appointed petty officers, with more than 100, Company's officers and with more than 300, Battalion commanders. The fire arms to be accepted are limited to modern rifles. Other arms will be paid for according to their value by local authorities, and to be used by native guards. The possessors of such arms will be granted certificates of amnesty, and permitted to be peaceful farmers.

President Sun Yat sen, in view of the stoppage of river traffic by pirates has ordered the water routes to be divided into three districts; i.e. from Kweilin to Wuchow, from Nam Ning to Wuchow, and from Lauchow to Kweilin. All cargo junks on each route must sail in fleets, and be escorted by no less than 200 soldiers.

A Peking telegram states that the Government has ordered that all the Likin duties and railway freights or provisions transporting from various provinces to Peking be reduced by 30 per cent. for three months only.

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the French Government has been drafted by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, and sent to the French Legation.

We take the following from the Canton Times:—

The teachers of primary schools in the city held a meeting on the 28th. They resolved to make a demand for increasing their salary. Several representatives were nominated to interview the Governor with a view to asking for an increase of 70 per cent to their salary.

It is reported that the following arrangements will be enforced by General Chen Chiung-ming next year.

1.—To abolish useless organizations as a means of saving an annual expense of more than \$100,000. These organizations are the Whampoa Torpedo Bureau, the Wireless Station outside the east gate, Aviation Bureau, etc.

2.—To abolish all the Tran-quiise Bureaux, the duties of which will be turned to the local magistrates and the police stations.

3.—To promote the "Volunteer System" throughout the province. As soon as a strong volunteer corp is organized which will be about next March, the government soldiers will then be withdrawn from the districts leaving the protection service to the volunteer.

4.—To arrange the different stations for the National Army. Canton, Swatow, Shiehing, Yung-kong, Waiyung, Koochow, Yanchow Kiangchow and Nanyang will be the Chief Stations. The responsibility of the National Army will be confined to the nation. They will not be allowed to interfere with local affairs.

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CRICKET.

K.C.C. 2nd XI v. Mr. G. Hall's XI.

Kowloon seconds were defeated by 100 runs in their match against Mr. G. Hall's XI on Tuesday. The outstanding feature was the batting of S. H. Ismail, who contributed 102 out of a total of 223 for Mr. Hall's team and was still undefeated when the innings was declared with eight men out. Kowloon, who batted first, compiled 123 and in the second innings 122 for four wickets. C. I. Stapleton knocking up 43 and 29. F. G. Thompson had 47 not out to his credit in the second innings when stumps were drawn. Scores:

Kowloon.

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| C. I. Stapleton, b Omar | 43 |
| A. O. Brown, b Arculli | 4 |
| F. E. Lawrence, b Arculli | 12 |
| F. G. Thompson, c and b Arculli | 0 |
| L. J. Blackburn, c Ismail, b A. H. Rumjahn | 1 |
| A. H. Rumjahn | 1 |
| F. G. Herdridge, b w., Omar | 22 |
| J. Stalker, c Ismail, b Ng Sze Kwong | 7 |
| P. Evelyn, c A. H. Rumjahn, b Omar | 4 |
| H. Overy, b Arculli | 1 |
| E. J. Edwards, not out | 4 |
| E. F. Spinks, c Ng Sze Kwong, b Arculli | 0 |
| Extras | 10 |
| Total | 123 |

Bowling analysis.

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| U. Omar | 11 | 2 | 29 | 3 |
| A. Arculli | 11 | 2 | 35 | 5 |
| A. A. Rumjahn | 3 | — | 26 | 1 |
| Ng Sze Kwong | 4 | 1 | 16 | 1 |

Mr. G. Hall's XI.

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| S. Jex, c Lawrence, b Spinks | 17 |
| C. Choe, c Thompson, b Spinks | 1 |
| A. A. Rumjahn, c Herdridge, b Brown | 19 |
| Ng Sze Kwong, b Spinks | 16 |
| S. H. Ismail, not out | 102 |
| A. H. Rumjahn, b Stalker | 3 |
| A. Arculli, c Thompson, b Stalker | 0 |
| G. A. V. Hall, c Lawrence, b Evelyn | 28 |
| U. Omar, c Stapleton, b Lawrence | 18 |
| W. M. Gittins, not out | 4 |
| Extras | 10 |
| Total (for 8 wickets) | 223 |

Bowling analysis.

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| A. J. Kew did not bat | — |
| J. Stalker | 20 |
| E. F. Spinks | 12 |
| A. O. Brown | 6 |



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CROWN LAND SALES.

Four lots of Crown land were sold by auction at the offices of the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon, and realized altogether \$48,615.

There was considerable competition for 6,300 square feet of land at the junction of Pak Hoi Street and Canton Road, Kowloon, the upset price of which was \$25,200. This lot was sold to Messrs. Chan Kwok-sheung and Lai Wai-hok for \$33,700.

Mr. Li Koon-chun purchased a plot of land in Coronation Road, Kowloon, for \$12,500, nearly double the upset price.

NO GOLF IN RICHMOND PARK. It is understood that the Public Commissioner of Works (Mr. Earl of Crawford) is unable to accede to the proposal that working men should have golfing facilities in Richmond Park at a small fee.

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Death.

ROBINSON—On 28th. December, 1921, at the Peak Hospital, George James Robinson, aged 37 years. Deeply regretted. (Shanghai papers please copy)

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1921.

A CHINESE PEACE MOVE.

Mr. Robert Lansing has been trying to bring about the unification of China. That must have been his avowed object in telegraphing to the Canton Government asking what its terms were in order that some steps could be taken to bring about a settlement of China's internal differences. Mr. Lansing has doubtless realised, as must all students of the Chinese question, that the unification of the country is an essential preliminary to China benefitting under the schemes formulated at Washington, and in requesting a statement by Canton he took a very direct and commendable course in seeking to bring about an agreement between the Peking and Canton factions. On behalf of Canton, Dr. Wu Ting-fang declared that the southerners demanded a sincere endeavour on the part of the Chinese delegation to get the famous Twenty-One Demands cancelled and also the resignation of President Hsu, head of the "illegal" Government at Peking. This statement was forwarded by Mr. Lansing to Peking and the Foreign Minister there has replied to the effect that both demands have been fulfilled already.

Canton is naturally asking, how? The attitude of the Chinese delegates at Washington is not construed by Canton to be a sincere endeavour to get the Twenty-One Demands cancelled and as to the resignation of "Old Hsu" it is pointed out his Government still rules in Peking, that he has not vacated office and that his circular telegram of December (in which Hsu admitted his shortcomings and deplored his lack of virtues) was not a resignation but just another instance of the "magnificent gesture" so beloved by the old Mandarin class of official who has proved a failure. And so it seems that Mr. Lansing's endeavour to bring the divergent parties in China a little nearer will lead to nothing but the re-statement of Canton's old case, namely, that it is the only legal Government in China. There is yet to be received the reply of the Peking Foreign Minister to Canton's last communication and it will be interesting to see how he answers the points raised above. Whether the exchange of telegrams will result in anything of value is a doubtful point.

The new Peking Premier, Liang Shue-ye, has just issued a statement of his policy, in which he avows that his object in taking office is to bring about the unification of the country as soon as possible, to carry out the disbandment of superfluous troops and to institute a period of economy, to develop China's forests and waste lands, to unify the management of China's railways and to raise funds for a scheme of compulsory education. This is indeed an ambitious programme and one in which Liang Shue-ye will have the best wishes of all China's friends. But, if one honestly examines the country's situation today, notes the fact that the southern Government is still bent on an expedition against the north, and bears in mind the spirit of independence which animates the southern provinces there would seem to be little hope of Premier Liang realising the first of his objects without sacrificing more than has yet been conceded by Peking. Canton is standing "pat" and will doubtless continue to do so, though all would like to see China united under a strong combination of her best political elements. The days immediately ahead will be full of interest.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Union Church.

Sir Paul Chater has added to his roll of benevolent acts, and that admirable institution Union Church is this time the gainer. Only a few days ago Sir Paul provided St. Stephen's Church with funds for an organ, and intimated his intention to create a special library in connection with the University. For these examples of munificence there was a particular reason, but in the case of Union Church, as the Rev. Mr. Maconachie stated to his congregation in announcing the good news, the gift comes from "one who has never belonged to our communion." Thus the Church committee is relieved from anxiety over its task of raising an endowment fund, especially as the members had already responded creditably, although there is plenty of use for further donations. In his address Mr. Maconachie remarked that great funds are raised for educational and other institutions, but there seems a kind of tradition that the Churches, especially the Protestant Free Churches, ought to live from hand to mouth. Tens or thousands of pounds, as the preacher said, are donated by members of the Churches for picture galleries, museums, and institutes, while little is provided for organisations which are purely and specifically religious. Some people declare that churches ought to be self-supporting. Conditions vary so much that no rule of the kind can well be laid down. As Mr. Maconachie says, when wealth is poured out upon the auxiliary departments of Christian work, it is not reasonable to leave the Church itself without due provision. Sir Paul Chater's latest example of beneficence is a worthy act for the benefit of a worthy institution.

Some Haul.

There have been some noteworthy events in the Colony these last few days. To Sir Paul Chater's generosity reference has just been made. In quite different category come a couple of incidents concerning the authorities, who in one case have been outwitted by the escape, at least for the time being, of the Straits Chinese prisoner, David Tsoi, while in the other it was the transgressors who were frustrated. A Chinese steamer from Haiphong was anchoring in the passage between Lamma and Cheung Chau Islands awaiting the private launch which was to convey the consignment of opium. The launch duly came alongside, and the opium was promptly transferred into it. This could not have given much satisfaction to the smugglers, seeing that the parties in charge of the launch were not their confederates but Revenue officers. The authorities acted upon "information received," but the ruse was a smart one, and now smugglers and confederates, minus opium, are awaiting trial. There were ten cases of the drug, aggregating 10,000 taels. Some haul!

Globe-Walking.

Pedestrianism is a fine exercise. In other days we were fired with the ambition to do the Land's End-John O'Groats stunt—a programme which stuck fast in the ambition stage. That jaunt is the child's-play compared with the designs of Mr. Baxter, whose photograph appeared on our Tuesday's picture page, and of M. and Mme. Leuret, all of whom are engaged upon a march around the world, with "lits" restricted to the maritime portions. It sounds a trifle too much of a good thing, though; indeed, at one time and another we have heard of quite a number of claimants. M. Leuret is one of these heroes. It was while lecturing on his return from the previous exploit that he met the lady who, having become Mme. Leuret, resolved to accompany her husband on his second attempt, feeling confident that she "will be able to do the world all right." If successful, we fancy that she will be the first of her sex to accomplish, or to undertake, the enterprise. The pair left Geneva on October 19 and on November 18 reached Prague, whence they left for Budapest en route to Constantinople. Their subsequent itinerary is not indicated, so we don't know whether there will be an opportunity of welcoming them at Hongkong, nor how many of the present residents would be here then, the gallant travellers schedule not being given. As for our countryman's attempt, Mr. Baxter is starting, or has started, from his home at Leicester and expects to wind up

DAY BY DAY.

THE SUNDAY IS THE CORE OF OUR CIVILISATION, DEDICATED TO THOUGHT AND REVERENCE.—*Emerson.*

Another of the Kowloon Theatre's popular dollar dances is announced for to-night.

Yesterday's health return shows one case of diphtheria and one case of paratyphoid fever—both Chinese.

Two Russians, one a farmer and the other a printer's compositor, were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court this morning with stowing away on the Rhodesia at Vladivostok. The charge was withdrawn at the request of the Captain of the steamer.

Mr. U. L. A. Mohideen, the well-known Hongkong jeweller, of Messrs. Mohideen and Co., has just been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce. Mr. Mohideen has been a resident of Hongkong for over 17 years.

George Headly, of H. M. S. Magnolia, was this morning charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with assaulting a district watchman. After examining the black eye which the complainant still retained as a result of the assault, his Worship remarked: I see you have given this man a very heavy blow. I shall fine you \$15.

Last week's cases of notifiable disease were:—One case of small-pox (British imported); one case of diphtheria (Chinese); three cases of enteric fever, one being fatal (Chinese); one case of paratyphoid fever (Chinese); two cases of spotted fever (Chinese); and one case of purpurial fever (Chinese). Two Chinese also died from influenza.

FAMOUS BANDIT LEADER CAPTURED.

The notorious bandit leader, Wong Kwa-sze, was captured three days ago by the soldiers of Captain Yin-tai in one of the brothel houses in Tong-Yee-Lan, Siskwan.

Bandit leader Wong Kwa-sze with his big gang of over a thousand men caused great disturbances throughout the districts of Szauui, Kwongnan and Wy-chob. Countless offences had been committed by him during the previous years. People of these districts indeed regarded him with great terror.

When Captain Yin-tai received the instructions to stay with his soldiers at the above districts for the purpose of alleviating the terror of the populace for the bandits there, a plan had been considered to get rid of this outlaw. At first, he persuaded Wong's assistant, in the person of Wong Cheung, to surrender himself and afterwards appointed him as an investigator of the military camp.

Some months later, Wong Cheung was ordered to effect the capture of his former leader. He obeyed. And when he observed that Wong Kwa-sze arrived at Canton secretly on the day the arrest was made, holding a midnight revel in a brothel, he then captured him with the aid of the police.

It is reported that the bandit leader was sent to the Military Headquarters yesterday for trial.—*Canton Times.*

FOR THE PRINCE.

Chinese merchants in Hongkong have invited Mei Lan-fang, the famous Chinese impersonator, to give several exhibitions at the port during the visit of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales next year. It is understood, states the Chinese press, that Mei has been guaranteed \$60,000 for his services.

his stroll by 1926. There is an attraction about the adventure, certainly; but, everything considered, we think we should prefer to read about it. M. and Mme. Leuret or Mr. Baxter should be able to give us a rare volume, which globe-travellers, afoot, unlike other globe travellers, seem to have had some reluctance to doing.

LORD NORTHCLEFFE.

Entertained in Indo-China.

In response to an invitation extended by the Indo-Chinese Government through its local representative during his recent visit to Hongkong, Lord Northcliffe after his call at Singapore, proceeded to Saigon by the Latouche Tréville. His visit synchronised with that of Marshal Joffre, and the meeting of these two distinguished personages was a happy coincidence.

Lord Northcliffe, however, was sparing in the delivery of his views, and notwithstanding the cordiality of the reception accorded him by the French and Annamite pressmen of Cochinchina on the evening of his arrival at Saigon, his only notable utterance was the delivery of an expression of his regard for France, of which he "was now and for ever" a very devoted friend. His Lordship apologised for the brevity of his speech on the ground that "he was not able to speak lengthily in French."

Lord Northcliffe's acceptance of the invitation of the Governor General for an extended stay in Indo-China necessitated some slight alteration in his programme. Instead of leaving Saigon on the 15th December he proceeded to Angkor to inspect the ruins and many interesting relics of a by-gone civilization in the region of the great lakes.

On the evening of the 13th, Lord Northcliffe was entertained to a banquet at the Palace of the Lieutenant Governor of Cochinchina, at which he made the acquaintance of all the higher French and native officials of the administration and the business-men of the town.

Apart from the enthusiasm which marked his arrival into the country of King Sisowath Lord Northcliffe's visit to that comparatively unknown region will furnish for the British press a store of interesting recollections. For the few who are not well-acquainted with the topographical features of that region which lies to the south of Saigon, it is well to state that Cambodia, as it is named, is situated in the broad reaches of the fertile delta of the Mekong, whose source is located somewhere in the upper reaches of the Himalayas. Over this region King Sisowath, under the protection of the French, holds sway over a people believed to be a degenerated offshoot of the once powerful Khmer race. That this race, which has now become extinct, reached a high stage of civilization is attested to by the remains of unique architecture now almost completely buried under the jungle growth, and in many cases crumbling away under the ravages of time. The writer has visited the outer stretches of these ruins in the course of a visit aboard the excursion steamer from Saigon, and can testify to the remarkable impressions that were left by a visit to these remains of a by-gone age. King Sisowath himself conducted his Lordship amongst the ruins of Angkor as they lay bathed in the full glow of a romantic moonlight. The Saigon journalist took particular pains to report the fact that it was a full moon that was then showing, so it may be taken for granted that Lord Northcliffe enjoyed his novel experience.

A WONDERFUL PROCESSION.

The fetes held in honour of the visit of Marshal Joffre and the British Peer to Angkor Wat, where King Sisowath held his Court, introduced another oriental touch. The most interesting feature was the Royal procession in which Lord Northcliffe, the Governor General, M. Long, and Marshal Joffre took part. After an entertainment at the Temple of Angkor Wat, which was attended by the King, his family and the distinguished visitors, the procession emerged from the left side of the imposing structure and traversed the main-drive leading into the town. "The procession," enthusiastically continued the Saigon journalist mentioned in a preceding paragraph, "consisted of 100 features and more than two thousand persons. The King, the Princes and Princesses, more than 100 horses and about 50 elephants, groups of Brahmin priests, the descendants of the Royal families, the Ministers and dignitaries of the Palace, 50 ox-carts each carrying three dancing girls in dazzling costumes—all presented an imposing spectacle unique in its richness and variety of colours." At the conclusion of this function,

which was carried out with much Oriental solemnity, His Majesty King Sisowath, his Ministers and officers exchanged greetings with the Governor General and Marshal Joffre. At a subsequent reception held in the Library Building, where stands had been erected for the accommodation of many hundreds of people, Lord Northcliffe was on the platform with M. Long and the Marshal.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

A Hint to—China.

Sir,—It may be of interest to those who follow Chinese Affairs, and particularly to those of the Chinese Student class whom the agitators at Amoy are attempting to embroil in a boycott directed against a British Shipping Company, to know that the port of Amoy contains more Chinese who have been inveigled into becoming the subjects of another nation than the average person knows anything about.

Apart from the rights or wrongs of the dispute at Amoy, which is under frank

discussion at Peking, it is admitted by all who know the actual circumstances that the Shipping Company is being unfairly got at by an agitation, the strength of which is not representative of those ostensibly concerned in it, pointing to the existence of some external stimulus.

If the Guilds in the various Treaty Ports are being called upon by Amoy to co-operate in damaging British Shipping, before extending the assistance sought, let them be sure they are helping their own people; let them make enquiries as to the number of these Chinese renegades and ask Amoy what it all means.

Shade of Lao-tzu.
Shanghai, December 22nd.

THE TSINGTAU RUN.

Some months ago, the Simbirsk of the Russian Volunteer Fleet was chartered as a Tsingtauliner by Nippon Kaiko Soko Kaisha. It is reported that this Japanese company has further chartered another ship of 2,700 tons from the Volunteer Fleet and decided to put the ship on the Osaka-Tsingtau run from the 20th. inst. The company will inevitably be involved in severe competition with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and the Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

Yesterday morning I met a man who aye wears a silver lining without the cloud attachment. We very often come across on the ferry together. He and I get on pretty well, though mind ye, we've never as much as had a drink wi' one another. Our wives don't know each other either. Come to think of it I don't believe he's got a wife, at least if he has, up to now he's successfully concealed the fact. He never tries to tell blue or funny stories and he might be a calthumpian in the way of religion for all I know.

As a rule, depending too much on one's friends is a good deal like depending too much on hope, but this particular chap acts on me like a tonic every time I meet him. I never saw him down in the mouth yet. Business is aye fine. Everything is for the good. Even if there's a young typhoon in the offing it'll help to clear the air if it does nothing else. Wet, ay, but look at the amount of good it'll do the young rice. Warm, well it is if you keep thinking about it too much. Our summers here, according to him, are 75 per cent. mental anyway. Cold, why this is nothing. You don't want to get so much wrapped up in yourself. Some folk are so crochety that even the weather doesn't agree wi' them. That's him all over. He's a regular Sunny Jim and better than Enos and a cold shower to me of a morning. It's a good job he's no doctor or he'd put all the chemists in town out of business inside a month.

And he's full of out-of-the-way information into the bargain. If ever I write anything about mules, don't you ever get contradicting me for I know more about mules than you'll ever hope to, ay if you read about them for a month o' Sundays. He spent the best part of an hour at the corner of our street one night telling me about them. He's forgotten more about mules than most folk ever knew. And bears too, grizzlys, cinnamon, browns and blacks, the whole bear family. And I know he's no been pulling my leg because—well that's immaterial anyhow.

And he's never once tried to impress on me how clever he is. Sometimes, you know, the man who tells you that he's no fool may only be mistaken. You man's liable to do any community more good than a baker's dozen o' missionizing parsons. He should be employed by the Government to boost good will and fellowship. He'd have no office hours. All he'd have to do would be to go round, be natural and draw his salary cheque at the month end. Whatever he got, he'd be worth double the money. If I'd a big enough wad myself I'd hire him and loan him out to the peaceful warring nations and so save the expense of disarmament conferences. He'd make the next meeting of the League of Nations look like a free fight.

The beauty of it is that he's perfectly unconscious of it all. If he was sitting at my elbow now he wouldn't recognise himself and if I told him, as like as no, he'd tell me to lean heavier on the soda syphon next time. No, I'm no going to tell you his name. There's a dozen or more

that already think they fit this frame. Let them think it. It'll do them no harm. I aye was a bit wonky on the law of libel one way and I'm taking no risks. Besides somebody wi' an ingrown sense of humour might be after sending him a hand-made halo. Find your own tonic or better still, be one yourself.

Did ye ever notice the moon when it's full and just rising above the horizon. It looks terrible big for one thing and often different in colour. They tell me that this is due to the atmosphere through which we look.

I'm convinced that we look out on life through a similar kind o' veil, and this veil though thin enough in no way to obstruct our sight is yet of a colour and texture that all we look at is coloured and marked the same way.

Notice how often the mean man is impressed wi' or draws attention to the meanness of others; how the cunning man is forever seeing guile and trickery in those he meets; the over-keen business man finds sharp practice everywhere; the kindly and generous are aye convinced of the good intentions of their neighbours; and all of it amounts to nothing more than that they see others through atmosphere of their own making. That's how we've got such a second-rate and aggravating kind o' world on our hands.

It seems to me then that we're aye over anxious about ourselves, over watchful where we put each slowly moving foot. We're very apt to lose our balance and fall and open an eyebrow over a straw; as often as no in dodging the small stone our car sometimes takes to climbing a lamp-post. Our very carefulness prevents us from reaching the end of our journey. Let's of folk die before they live. That doesn't matter very much if they're sure of the hereafter and a seat in the heavenly stalls. But are they? No one can tell. That can only be speculation. A bird in the hand, you know. Far better to make the most of life while we live. We'll be a long time dead, anyway.

One more thought and I'm through. Ay, stale stuff, but it'll do ye good. And there's no collection. Nowadays we're full of methods and systems. We talk about how to be happy, the way to be contented, the training of how to be a moral force. We get it all off by heart at considerable expense both of time and energy and we then go ahead and instruct others on exactly the same lines. All the time we quite lose sight of the fact that it is being happy, contented and a moral force that really counts; the way we get these results is of no consequence whatever.

My friend has taught me one thing: What we look for, bad or good, we of a certainty find. Not only do we find it, we create it and then pass it along.

How's business? How's your liver? And the new naggie on? And your relations wi' the boss? How's exchange? And the weather? Likewise the cough? Fine? That's the stuff to give them.

THE FAIRY CHAIN.

To-Day's Gala Performance.

The last few days have witnessed great activity at the Theatre Royal, where the organizers of the appeal for funds in aid of children's charities at Home, have been preparing for what is calculated to be an unsurpassed presentation of the "Fairy Chain." Though the play is not entirely unknown to the Colony (it has been produced on two occasions on both sides of the Harbour) the elaborate scale on which it is now to be given at the Theatre Royal to-day, will be something entirely new.

The energetic Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club (Mr. R. C. Wittell) has undertaken the duties of producer and stage manager and as regards elaborateness of its scenery and the numbers of its characters, it can be said without exaggeration that not since the production of "Pinkie and the Fairies" has an amateur production been attempted on such a lavish scale. There will be five different settings each with its "atmosphere" considerably enhanced by an artistic distribution of tiny coloured fairy lights.

That the producers are nothing if not thorough, is evidenced by the many ingenious devices to strengthen the impression of "fairyland." The toddlers and buttercups would be valuable finds for the naturalist in point of size, but here they are meant to be in true proportion to the bulk of the "fairies," "frogs" and "bunnies."

Where there are frogs there is water, so a pond has been introduced into one corner of the stage for the benefit of these amphibians, which in common with the bunnies, have an extraordinary aptitude for performing dances and other grotesque motions on their hind legs. They comprise an important section of the attendants in the Court of the Queen of Fairyland (played by Miss S. Weill). The role of the unfortunate Princess who has to be protected by the magic chain of flowers against the designs of the Ogre is in the hands of Miss G. Ramsay. Miss P. Ogilvie has been dressed and trained to give a fearful impersonation of the wicked Ogre, while Miss D. Wittell carries the part of the Prince who is united to his Princess at long last and is happy with her "for ever afterwards."

The play will be interspersed by many songs by Miss D. Panchion, Miss D. Wittell and Miss G. Ramsay. Miss Panchion is the possessor of a really good voice. Colourful music composed specially for the production by no less a person than Tedo Miles will supply the incidental accompaniment to the play while other selections appropriate to the "atmosphere" of the play will be given in concert by Missuschaert the Misses Ruby, Rosebud and Vivienne Young and three other local instrumentalists, under the baton of Mr. Tedo Miles. And last, but not least Miss Vivienne Young in the second act will contribute a novelty for the audience in a graceful interpretation of the Serpentine Dance.

The entire play is in the hands of about fifty Kowloon children. It is hoped that the support which residents have been in the custom of bestowing on previous calls, will be generously extended on this occasion. They are moreover assured of full value for their money. Seats at \$2 and \$1 each can be booked at Moutrie's or purchased at the Theatre ticket office. Another gala performance is advertised to take place on the night of the 3rd of January.

Following are those who take part in the production in addition to the principal performers mentioned—

Spirit:—Miss D. Goodman.
Wail:—Master F. Angus.

Fairies:—Misses D. Panchion (Lily), G. McNider (Daisy), Crissie Dixon (Hare Bell), Bryson, E. H. Collison, V. Blackburn, J. Anderson, W. Henderson, A. Smythe (Snowdrop), P. Woolley (Violet), E. V. Blackburn, E. Meade, K. Nightingale, J. Anderson, G. Frickett, L. Tolan and L. Dunn.

Bluebells:—J. Raven, C. Dixon, M. Ratey, J. Barr, E. Steel, and K. Chester.
Frogs:—Master J. Pearne, B. Angus, V. Pitt, G. Edwards, E. Leate, C. Hamma, and R. Gerrard.

Rabbits:—Master K. Jenner, M. Deitch, E. Moses, C. McArthur, M. Weill, R. G. Wittell, N. Gerrard and Jimmie Blackburn.

CRICKET.

THE ARMY v. THE NAVY.

The second match in the triangular tournament was begun on the Club ground yesterday, when the Army met the Navy. As chronicled in our yesterday's issue, the military scored 192 for 7 during the morning stage. On the resumption Capt. Spinks carried his contribution to 57 before a delivery from the Rev. Crole Rees penetrated his defence. Modest but useful aid was rendered by Maj. Tomlinson, Lt. McDonald, Bdr. Baker, and Cpl. Purton, while "Mr. Extras" helped with 27, bringing the total to 211.

The Navy started in good style with Lt. Commander Jotham and Lt. Franks, but after the dismissal of the latter the sea Service fared badly. If it had not been for a splendid effort of 75 by that prolific batsman Lt. Com. Jotham, the Navy would have been hopelessly behind. The last pair effected a rally and kept their ends up overnight, when the score-board showed 173 for nine.

Lt. McDonald, the left-handed slow bowler, accomplished a sterling piece of work with the ball when he notched the hat-trick by dismissing Lt. Franks, Lt. Com. Stevens, and Lt. Stewart, the two latter being clean-bowled. Cpl. Purton, sending down some fast deliveries, was also successful.

Continuing the Navy's innings this morning, the last pair, Beatty and Hayter, gave the bowlers some trouble before the former was taken off by McDonald. Altogether the final partnership produced 39, carrying the total to the respectable figure of 193.

With a lead of 78 the Army again received a splendid start-off from Captains Oliver and Davies. The Navy rang the changes on their bowling without success until Beatty got one past Davies after the latter had contributed a capital 42. Oliver, who has been maintaining, and increasing, a fine average, carried his score on to 71, when Greig penetrated his defence. The other batsmen rendered considerable assistance without doing anything notable, except Redpath, who was credited with a sixer before having the ill luck to be run out. At tiffin time the military had topped the second century for the less of eight wickets.

Full Scores:—

| ARMY. | | | | |
|--|-----|--|--|--|
| Capt. Oliver, run out | 49 | | | |
| Capt. Davies, c and b Hayter | 50 | | | |
| Lt. Beaven, b Beatty | 7 | | | |
| Capt. Spinks, b Crole-Rees | 57 | | | |
| Maj. Bagnall, b Wood | 10 | | | |
| Maj. Edwards, c Franks, b Stevens | 5 | | | |
| S. Sergt. Redpath, c Crole-Rees, b Stevens | 11 | | | |
| Major Tomlinson, c Crole-Rees, b Stevens | 11 | | | |
| Lieut. McDonald, c Wood, b Crole-Rees | 19 | | | |
| Bdr. Baker, run out | 11 | | | |
| Cpl. Purton, not out | 18 | | | |
| Extras | 27 | | | |
| Total | 271 | | | |

| Bowling analysis.— | | | | |
|--------------------|----|---|----|---|
| Beatty | 23 | 5 | 54 | 1 |
| Hayter | 24 | 1 | 62 | 1 |
| Crole-Rees | 12 | — | 37 | 2 |
| Skinner | 4 | — | 15 | — |
| Wood | 8 | — | 49 | 1 |
| Stevens | 5 | 2 | 13 | 3 |

| Navy. | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----|--|--|--|
| Lt. Comdr. Jotham, c Edwards | 75 | | | |
| b Baker | 19 | | | |
| Lt. Franks, c Oliver, b McDonald | 19 | | | |
| Lt. Comdr. Stevens, b McDonald | 0 | | | |
| Lt. Stewart, b McDonald | 0 | | | |
| Lt. Comdr. Greig, c Edwards | 12 | | | |
| b Davies | 9 | | | |
| Com. Wood, b Purton | 9 | | | |
| Lt. Skinner, c Spinks, b Purton | 7 | | | |
| Rev. Crole-Rees, b Purton | 1 | | | |
| Lt. Comdr. Douglas-Hamilton, b Baker | 11 | | | |
| Mid. Hayter, not out | 13 | | | |
| Lt. Beatty, c Davies, b McDonald | 21 | | | |
| Extras | 25 | | | |
| Total | 193 | | | |

| Bowling analysis.— | | | | |
|--------------------|------|---|----|---|
| Donald | 16.2 | 3 | 56 | 4 |
| Davies | 17 | 9 | 28 | 1 |
| Purton | 10 | 3 | 17 | 3 |
| Edwards | 9 | 1 | 40 | — |
| Spinks | 5 | — | 21 | — |
| Baker | 3 | 1 | 6 | 2 |

| ARMY—2ND INNINGS. | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----|--|--|--|
| Capt. Oliver, b Greig | 71 | | | |
| Capt. Davies, b Beatty | 42 | | | |
| Lt. Beaven, c Crole-Rees, b Hayter | 4 | | | |
| Capt. Spinks, b Beatty | 16 | | | |
| Maj. Bagnall, c Jotham, b Hayter | 16 | | | |
| Maj. Edwards, c Franks, b Stevens | 12 | | | |
| Sgt. Redpath, run out | 21 | | | |

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SCHOOL CRICKET.

The Indian School played their return match with the Kowloon School yesterday and won by 64 runs. For the winners Arculli, Mohamed and Abbas batted well. Scores are as follows:—

| K. B. S. | | | | |
|----------------------------------|----|--|--|--|
| J. Leete run out | 9 | | | |
| Jenner c Kitchell b Arculli | 4 | | | |
| C. Collett st. Rumjahn b Arculli | 1 | | | |
| Pitt b Arculli | 1 | | | |
| French b Abbas | 5 | | | |
| G. G. Edwards c Kitchell b Ali | 6 | | | |
| Pearne b Abbas | 7 | | | |
| J. Collett b A. Rahim | 10 | | | |
| L. Weill b Ali | 4 | | | |
| M. Dillich not out | 1 | | | |
| D. Stevens b A. Rahim | 0 | | | |
| Extras | 3 | | | |
| Total | 52 | | | |

| Bowling analysis.— | | | | |
|--------------------|---|---|----|---|
| F. M. Arculli | 3 | 1 | 9 | 3 |
| W. Abbas | 5 | 1 | 10 | 2 |
| N. Ali | 6 | — | 15 | 2 |
| A. Rahim | 3 | — | 8 | 2 |

| E. K. J. S. | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|--|--|--|
| N. B. Kitchell c Stevens b Jenner | 0 | | | |
| F. M. Arculli b Stevens | 45 | | | |
| D. Mohamed c Dillich b Jenner | 23 | | | |
| A. L. Rumjahn b Jenner | 3 | | | |
| W. Abbas c Dillich b Stevens | 27 | | | |
| M. Hassan c Pearne b Collett | 1 | | | |
| J. E. Jahees b Jenner | 0 | | | |
| M. P. Masdar b Collett | 3 | | | |
| A. H. Abbas b Stevens | 3 | | | |
| A. Rahim c Collett b Jenner | 0 | | | |
| N. Ali not out | 10 | | | |
| Extras | 10 | | | |
| Total | 116 | | | |

| Bowling analysis.— | | | | |
|--------------------|------|---|----|---|
| Jenner | 11.2 | 2 | 42 | 5 |
| Stevens | 7 | — | 27 | 3 |
| Edwards | 1 | — | 11 | — |
| Dillich | 4 | 1 | 12 | — |
| Baker | 4 | — | 13 | — |

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ERA NEWS



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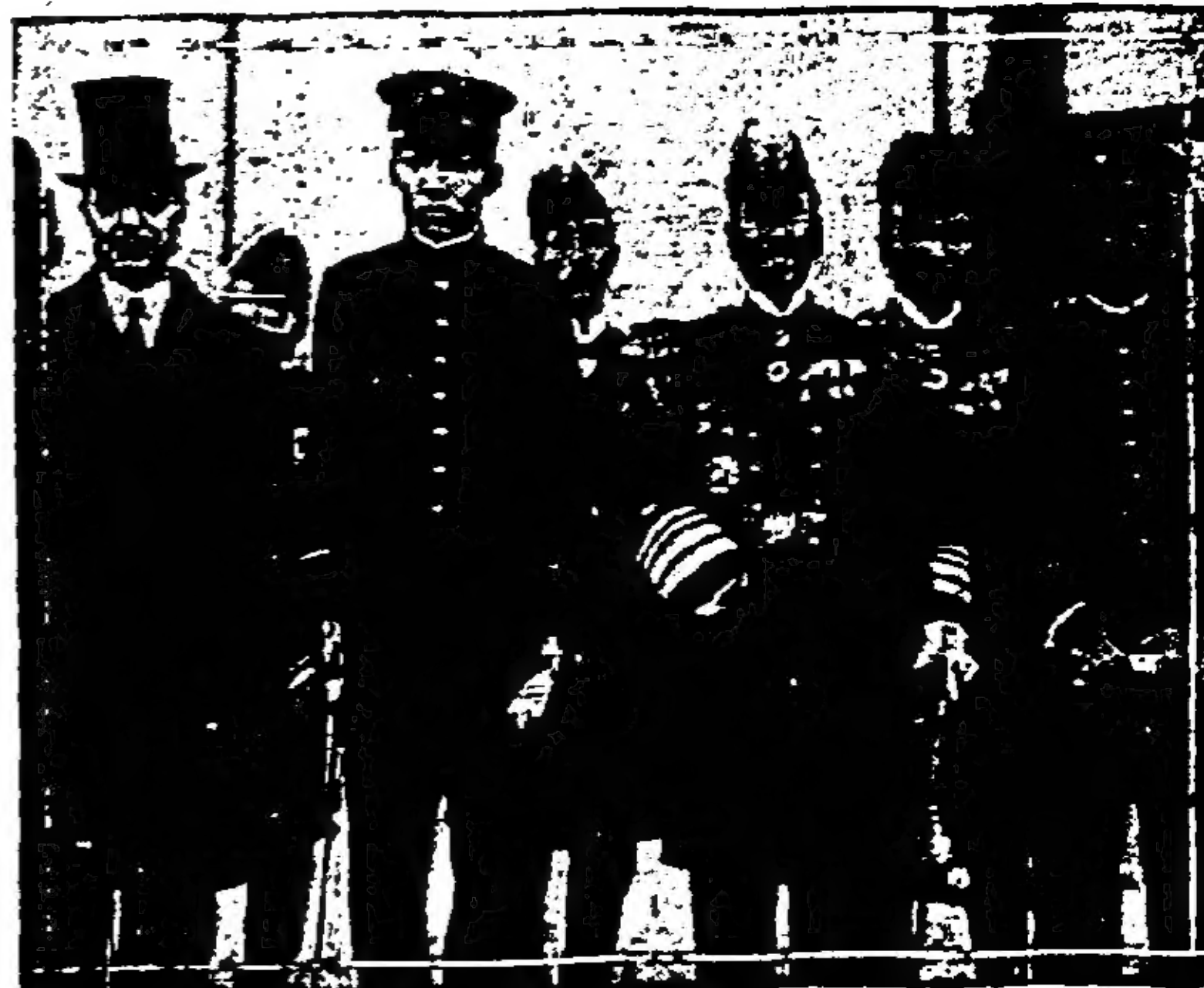
Little Betty Sze and her mother. Betty's father is one of the Chinese delegates. Alfred Sze, Chinese minister to the United States. Below Mrs. Yan Tsching (left) and Mrs. M. T. Tyan, wives of Chinese technical experts.



These girls are being coached at Manchester, for the Christmas pantomimes. Here they demonstrate the proper way to hold the leg.



Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, at present at Washington.



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Hongkong, Dec. 22, 1921.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

TOKYO NIKKO ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

A high speed electric railway between Tokyo and Nikko is planned by a company at Utsunomiya. It is estimated the cost would be ¥10,000,000. The construction work is expected to be completed by next summer. The distance between Tokyo and Nikko will be covered in an hour and a quarter.

BOOTS COMPANIES IN MANCHURIA.

A Mukden dispatch of the 5th instant to the *Mainichi* reports that the Japanese Consul-General at Mukden has received information that the Japanese Government intends to introduce a measure in the coming session of the Diet for the prevention of the formation of bogus companies, and the legalization of companies in Manchuria established on the basis of the silver standard. Mr. Akatsuka, the Consul-General, is now collecting the views of the Mukden Chamber of Commerce, Bank of Korea, etc. On the passing of the measure many so-called companies, undertakings, etc., in Manchuria are likely to go out of existence.

KOBE AS A SILK PORT.

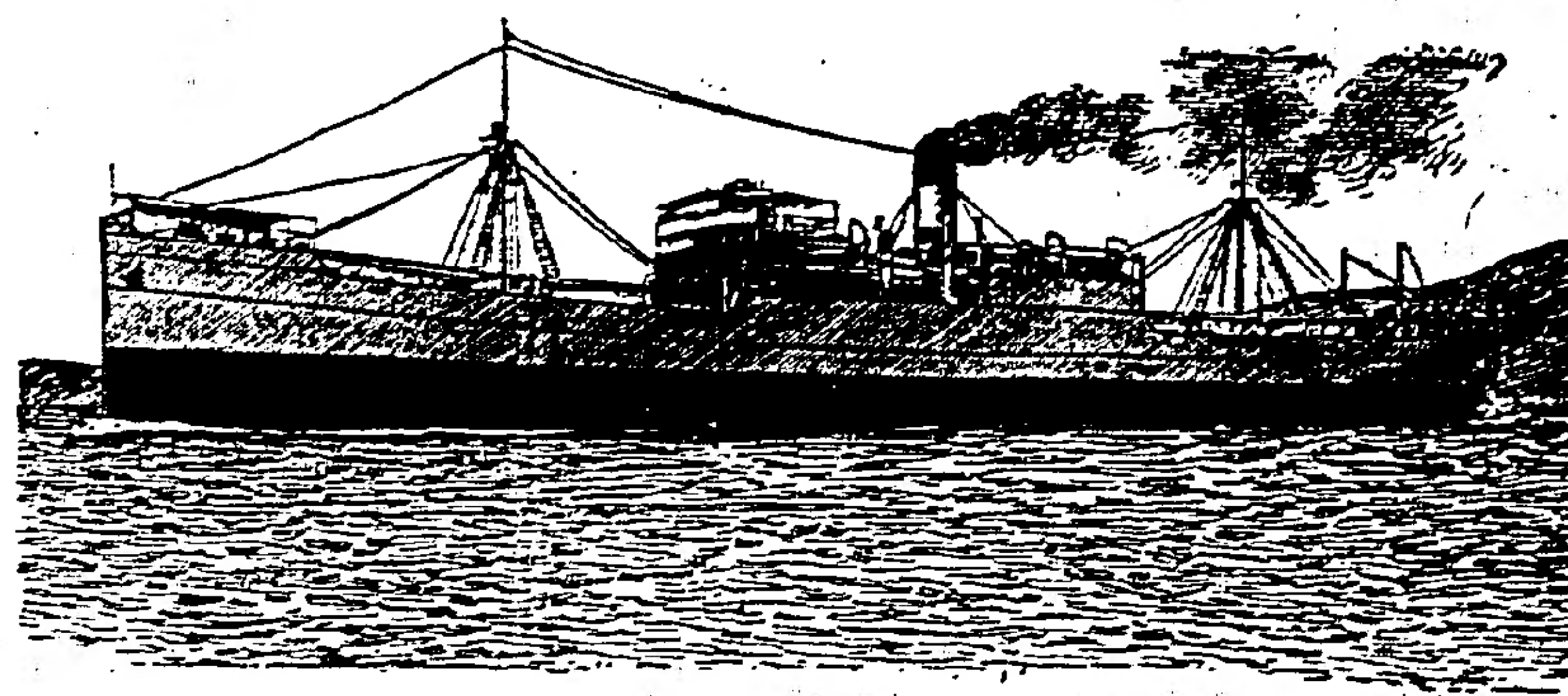
In a statement published on the 2nd inst. regarding the question of the exporting of raw silk from Kobe, the Kobe Chamber of Commerce states that silk weavers in the Kansai district will not hesitate to make delivery to Kobe, and that the only primary question is adequate provision for financing. However, there is no need especially to establish a Sericultural Bank, as Kobe is already the third money market in the country with deposits of ¥377,000,000 and outstanding loans of ¥435,000,000 (at the end of September 1921), and expects a branch office of the Bank of Japan to be established in the near future. Referring to the need of a Silk Conditioning House, the Chamber of Commerce thinks that it will be the more appropriate to place it under the control of the Kobe Municipality, and, before orders are given legally to effect a compulsory survey in the Conditioning House in the near future, preparations ought to be made for meeting that survey, while, at the time of discretionary survey being still in force, the House must be open for general merchants' use. Nearly all the influential business concerns have offices of their own in Kobe so that business can be opened with ease. No inconveniences will be felt, so far as storage and godowns are concerned. The machinery necessary for survey is estimated approximately at Yen 35,033, and the cost of erecting the laboratory at Yen 275,473, which laboratory will spend Yen 47,680 a year, taking it for granted that 500 boxes are examined a day.

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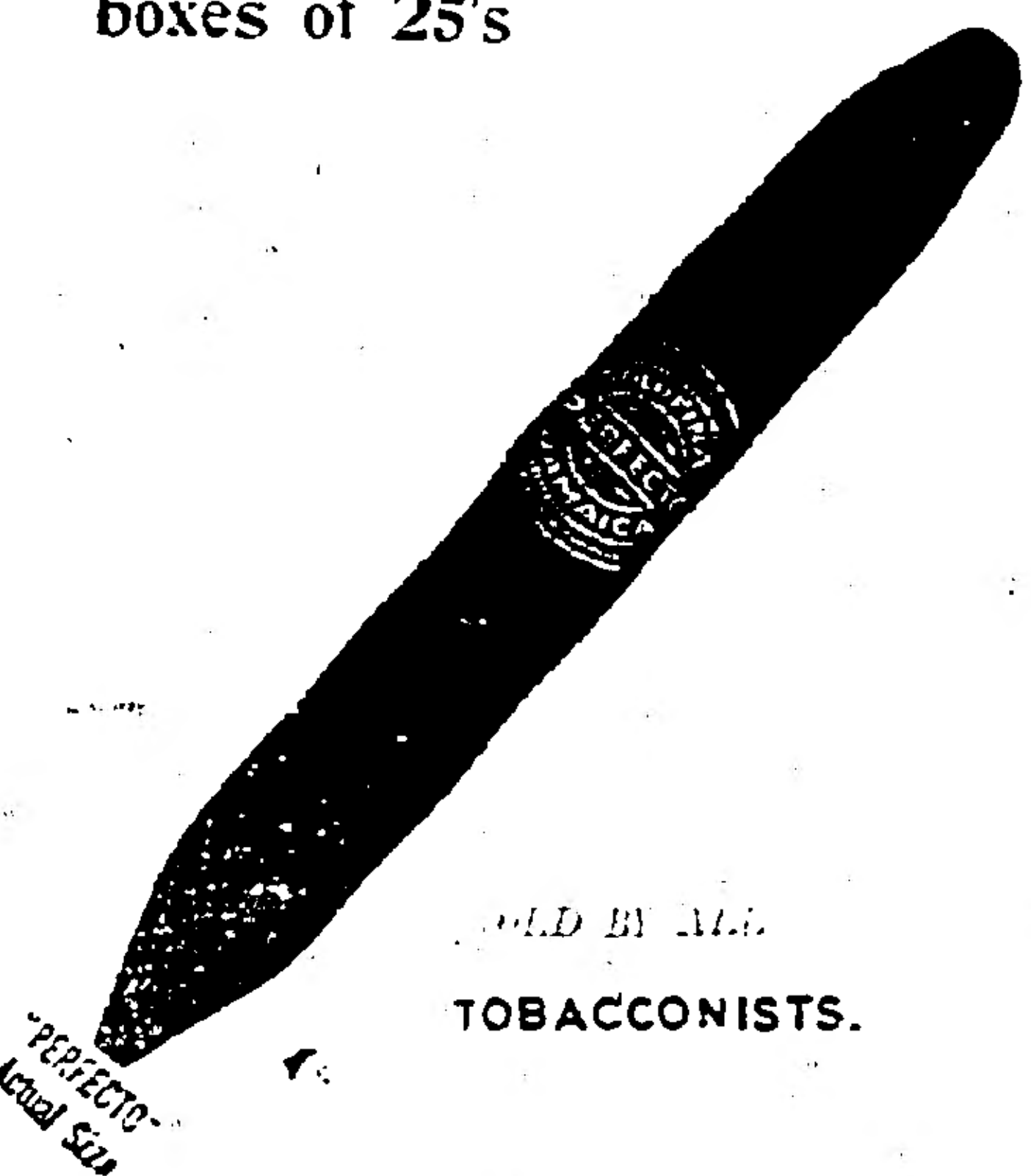
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SHANGHAI OFFICIALS' TRAGIC END.

Verdict at the Inquest.

The tragic circumstances attending the death of Mr. H.R.C. Adams, assistant clerk of H. M. Supreme Court, Shanghai, were inquired into by H. M. Coroner, Mr. G. W. King, on the 21st inst. Miss H. L. Lissad, resident at Vancouver Lodge, Sinza Road, stated that she occupied a room next to that of Mr. Adams. At about 1.45 on Sunday morning she was awakened by a noise in deceased's room. He was raving, and carrying on an animated conversation, apparently talking to "people who were looking in through the window" at him. He said he would kill them if they did not stop looking in. Half an hour later witness called out to him to be quiet and go to sleep. He made no reply, and soon afterwards he broke into a fit of sobbing and cried for a quarter of an hour.

About 3 o'clock he jumped up and yelled that the people were looking in at the window again. He then loaded his revolver and fired through the window. "I told you I'd kill you if you looked at me through the window again," he said. Witness heard him cock the trigger of the revolver, and walk round the room two or three times.

She then heard him sit down on the bed, and at five minutes past three he fired the last shot. "That's all right, you see, that's all right," he said.

THE ALARM RAISED.
The Coroner:—He spoke after he had fired the shot!

Witness:—Yes. I then heard him drop from the bed, and I rang the bell for assistance. Mrs. Olsen came along and said "Why have you rung the bell?" and I answered: "I want to tell you that Mr. Adams has shot himself."

Mr. R. T. Olson, of Vancouver Lodge, stated that Mr. Adams

had been resident there for nearly three years. Witness spent the evening with him on Saturday, leaving him in his room at about 10.30. He was then in quite good spirits, but he had been in bed for four days.

The Coroner:—Have you ever heard him threaten to take his life?

Witness:—On one occasion when he was sick he remarked that he could soon end it if it became too bad. Occasionally deceased had suffered terrible pain. Witness did not hear the shots fired, but on being called by his wife he went to deceased's room and found him lying on the floor, with a bullet wound in his head. He was still alive. The room door was unlocked and the windows were wide open. Witness telephoned for a doctor and the police.

Det. Sgt. Beer, who reached the house at 3.50, said he found deceased lying on his back on the floor, with a revolver against his left side. It appeared that he had shot himself while sitting on the bed, the bullet passing through his head from the right temple, and striking the wall. He was taken to the General Hospital and died there at 6.15 without regaining consciousness. It was impossible for anyone to have climbed up to his window.

A RESULT OF THE WAR.
Dr. W. E. O'Hara stated that he found deceased in a dying condition on arriving at the house shortly after 3 o'clock. Everything pointed to the wound having been self-inflicted, with a .45 revolver.

The Coroner said it had been a painful task for him thus to inquire into the death of a colleague and a friend. There could be no doubt that Mr. Adams's death was the direct result of the war, and particularly the gassing, he received in the great war. He found that death was due to a bullet wound inflicted whilst deceased was temporarily of unsound mind.

METEOROLOGICAL.

| | Previous Day | on date. | on date. |
|----------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Barometer | 30.02 | 30.10 | 30.09 |
| Temperature | 63 | 63 | 69 |
| Humidity | 60 | 85 | 52 |
| Wind Direction | E. CALM | E. | E. |
| Wind Force | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Weather | b. od | b | b |
| Rain | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| Highest open air | | | |
| Temperature on the 28th 69 | | | |
| Lowest open air | | | |
| Temperature on the 29th 63 | | | |

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

H. K. Observatory, Dec. 28.

TIDE TABLE.

24th to 30th Dec. 1921.

| | High Water | Low Water | High Water | Low Water |
|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| | Mean Time | Mean Time | Mean Time | Mean Time |
| Sat. 24 | 5 45 | 5 0 | 11 21 | 2 3 |
| Sun. 25 | 6 34 | 5 4 | 1 0 | 2 3 |
| Mon. 26 | 7 4 | 6 4 | 1 10 | 2 3 |
| Tues. 27 | 8 14 | 7 3 | 0 43 | 3 3 |
| Wed. 28 | 9 14 | 8 3 | 1 23 | 3 3 |
| Thurs. 29 | 10 3 | 9 3 | 2 12 | 3 3 |
| Fri. 30 | 11 15 | 10 3 | 3 6 | 3 3 |
| | 12 15 | 11 3 | 4 33 | 3 3 |
| | 1 40 | 12 3 | 5 21 | 3 3 |

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| Demand | 27 1/2 |
| 10 d/s | 27 1/2 |
| 50 d/s | 27 1/2 |
| 4 m/s | 27 1/2 |
| FTT Shanghai | Nom |
| FTT Singapore | 113 1/2 |
| FTT Japan | 115 |
| FTT India | 197 |
| Demand, India | — |
| FTT San Francisco | 55 |
| FTT New York | 151 |
| FTT Marks | Nom. |
| FTT France | 6.85 |
| Demand, Paris | — |

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| 1 m/s. D/P | 29 1/2 |
| 6 m/s. L/C | 29 1/2 |
| 10 d/s. Sydney and | 27 1/2 |
| Melbourne | 27 1/2 |
| 10 d/s. San Francisco | 58 |
| co & New York | — |
| 1 m/s. Marks | Nom. |
| 4 m/s. France | 7.45 |
| 6 m/s. France | 7.65 |
| Demand, Germany | — |
| Demand, New York | 55 1/2 |
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| Demand, Bombay | 197 |
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Hongkong Dec. 29, 1921.

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Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 7.01 inches. Total since January 1st, 97.34 inches, against an average of 83.06 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW:

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap fresh; N.E. winds; fine, colder.

2 Formosa Channel strong.

3 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamoocks. The same as No. 1.

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T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
H.K. Observatory, Dec. 29, 1921.

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The ball is hoisted half mast at the 55th minute and full mast at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time, it will be lowered at five minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour, if possible.

Should the time ball be out of order the above routine will be carried out with the flag "Z", on the storm signal mast.

Time signal are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast. From 8h. 56m. 0s. to 9h. 0m. 0s. p.m. the lamps are extinguished momentarily at the even seconds, except at the 2nd, 28th, 50th, 52nd, and 54th of each minute.

The hours refer to Hongkong Standard Time (8 hours of east Greenwich).